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 Applicant : Walter Birchmeier
 Filed : 08/17/2000
 Title : Agents for Treating Human Illnesses Based on Beta Catenin, and the
 Production and Use Thereof
 TC/A.U. : 1653
 Examiner : Kam, Chih Min
 Docket No. : (old) 103888-427-NP
 (new) 105357-427-NP

Submitted herewith are the following items for filing in the above-identified case:

1. This Fax Transmittal (1 page);
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 page);
3. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (in duplicate) (2 pages); and
4. Preliminary Amendment (13 pages).

For a total of 17 pages.

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Application Number	09/841,104
Filing Date	August 17, 2000
First Named Inventor	Walter Birchmeyer
Art Unit	1653
Examiner Name	Chih Min Kam
Attorney Docket Number	(Old) 103688-427-NP (New) 105357-427-NP

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other Preliminary Amendment

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

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The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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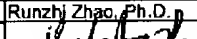
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Art Unit 1653		Examiner Chih Min Kam

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☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ _____
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☒ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ 2,010.00

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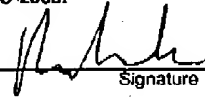
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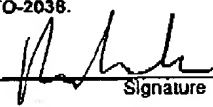
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